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Ban on the export of yarns spun out of Indian cotton.

* 317 Q.—SRI PRAGADA KOTAIAH: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state the action taken by the Government regarding the resolution passed by the Madras Handloom Committee at its meeting held on 4th August 1952 that the Government should urge on the Union Government to ban the export of all yarn spun out of Indian cotton with immediate effect in view of the internal demand for such yarns?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" This Government have already addressed the Government of India urging them to take immediate steps to stop all exports of yarn to foreign countries, more especially yarn manufactured purely out of Indian cotton."

SRI PRAGADA KOTAIAH :—" Sir, in view of the fact that coarse and medium counts of yarn made out of Indian cotton are still being exported for the manufacture of lungies in Burma and Ceylon and in view of the fact that Burma and Ceylon Governments have restricted the import of our kailies and lungies resulting in accumulation of stocks and consequent widespread unemployment among the handloom weavers in this State, will the Government be pleased to press on the Union Government to immediately stop exports of yarn, particularly to Burma and Ceylon? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" We will consider it, Sir."

SRI C. V. K. RAO :—" Sir, when was the representation made and when do the Government expect to get a reply? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Representation was made last on 20th October 1952. I am afraid, I cannot answer the second half of the question."

Local Fund dispensary, Punganur.

* 318 Q.—SRI B. KRISHNAMOORTHY ROW: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state whether there is any request from the District Board, Chittoor, to the Government of Madras, to convert the Local Fund dispensary of Punganur into a Government hospital; and if so, at what stage the matter is? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The answer is in the negative."

SRI B. KRISHNAMOORTHY ROW :—" Sir, the President of the District Board, Chittoor, is informed that the proposal for the taking over by Government of the Local Fund dispensary at Pilleru should be deferred till the question of taking over the Local Fund dispensary at Punganur, which is more urgent, is settled. So, Sir, in the face of this reply of the Hon. Minister, can I assume that the circular letter referred to above is wrong? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" That is the information I have at my disposal, Sir."